## **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

- (Original) A method for adjusting a bank note processing machine wherein threshold values of sensors are defined for recognizing bank notes unfit for circulation, characterized by
  - selecting at least one bank note fit for circulation,
  - selecting at least one bank note unfit for circulation,
  - processing the selected bank notes by means of the bank note processing machine, whereby data of at least one sensor are stored,
  - defining at least one threshold value for the at least one sensor by evaluating the stored data of the at least one sensor.
- (Original) A method according to claim 1, characterized in that the definition
  of the at least one threshold value is effected by determining the threshold
  value.
- (Original) A method according to claim 1, characterized in that the definition
  of the at least one threshold value is effected by selecting the threshold value
  from a multitude of given threshold values.
- 4. (Currently Amended) A method according to any of claims 1 to 3 claim 1, characterized in that bank notes fit for circulation and those unfit for circulation are processed separately.
- 5. (Original) A method according to claim 4, characterized in that bank notes fit

for circulation and those unfit for circulation are separated from each other by means of a separation card, the separation card being recognized during processing.

- 6. (Currently Amended) A method according to any of claims 1 to 3claim 1, characterized in that bank notes fit for circulation and those unfit for circulation are processed jointly.
- 7. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 6, characterized in that <u>at</u>

  <u>least one of</u> the rate of the bank notes fit for circulation <del>and/</del>or the rate of those
  unfit for circulation is specified.
- 8. (Currently Amended) A method according to any of claims 1 to 7 claim 1, characterized in that the method is carried out for each kind of bank notes.
- 9. (Currently Amended) A method according to any of claims 1 to 8claim 1, characterized in that at least one further threshold value is defined for at least one of bank notes fit for circulation and/or those unfit for circulation.
- 10. (Original) A method according to claim 9, characterized in that the at least one further threshold value is defined for bank notes that are suitable for automatic cash dispensers.
- 11. (Currently Amended) A method according to any of claims 1 to 10 claim 1, characterized in that the at least one threshold value is formed by a discriminant function.
- 12. (Currently Amended) A bank note processing machine for carrying out the method according to any of claims 1 to 11claim 1.